
HOW CAN THE QURAN TRANSFORM YOU AND SOCIETY?

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CONTEMPORARY CRISIS

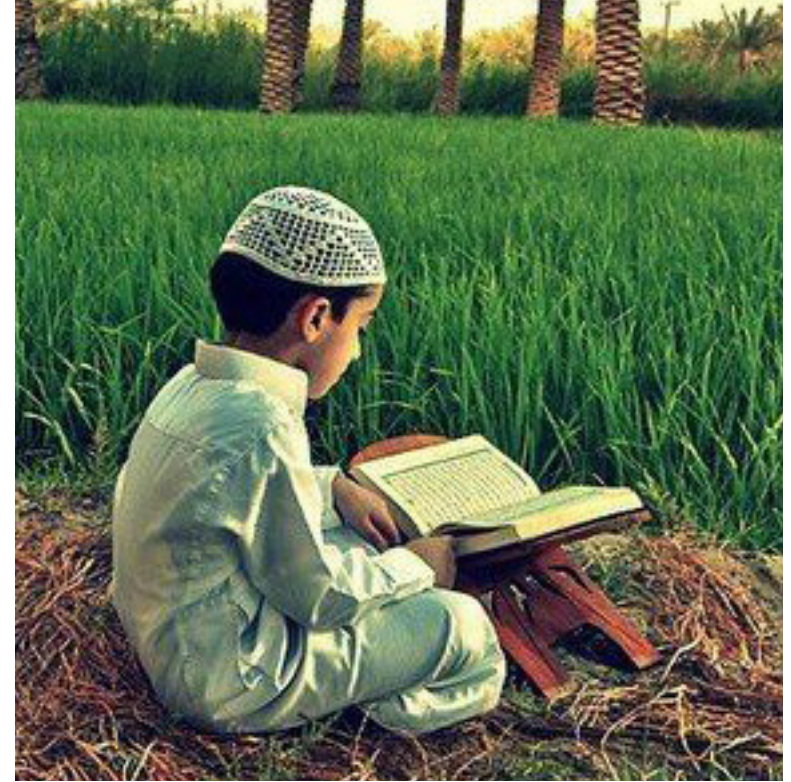
**"QUR'AN AN...
ACCURSED BOOK...
SO LONG AS THERE
IS THIS BOOK THERE
WILL BE NO PEACE
IN THIS WORLD"**

Former Prime Minister of Great Britain
William Gladstone (1809 - 1898)











**EYES REMAIN
DRY, HEARTS
REMAIN
UNMOVED,
MINDS REMAIN
UNTOUCHED
AND LIVES
REMAIN
UNCHANGED**

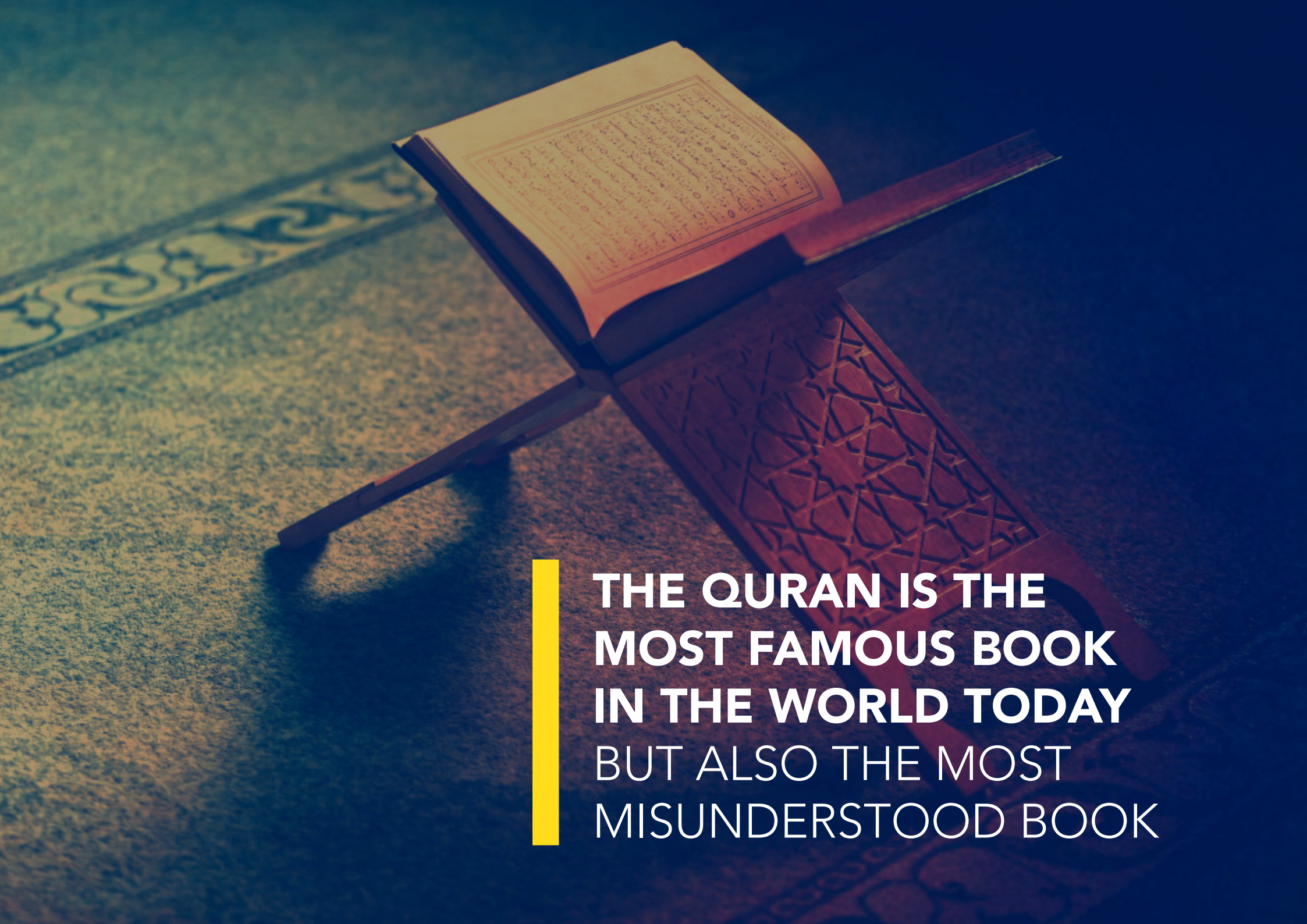




The complaint of Prophet Muhammad on the Day of Judgment:

وَقَالَ الرَّسُولُ يَا رَبِّ إِنَّ قَوْمِي اتَّخَذُوا
هَذَا الْقُرْآنَ مَهْجُورًا ﴿٣٠﴾ الفرقان





**THE QURAN IS THE
MOST FAMOUS BOOK
IN THE WORLD TODAY
BUT ALSO THE MOST
MISUNDERSTOOD BOOK**

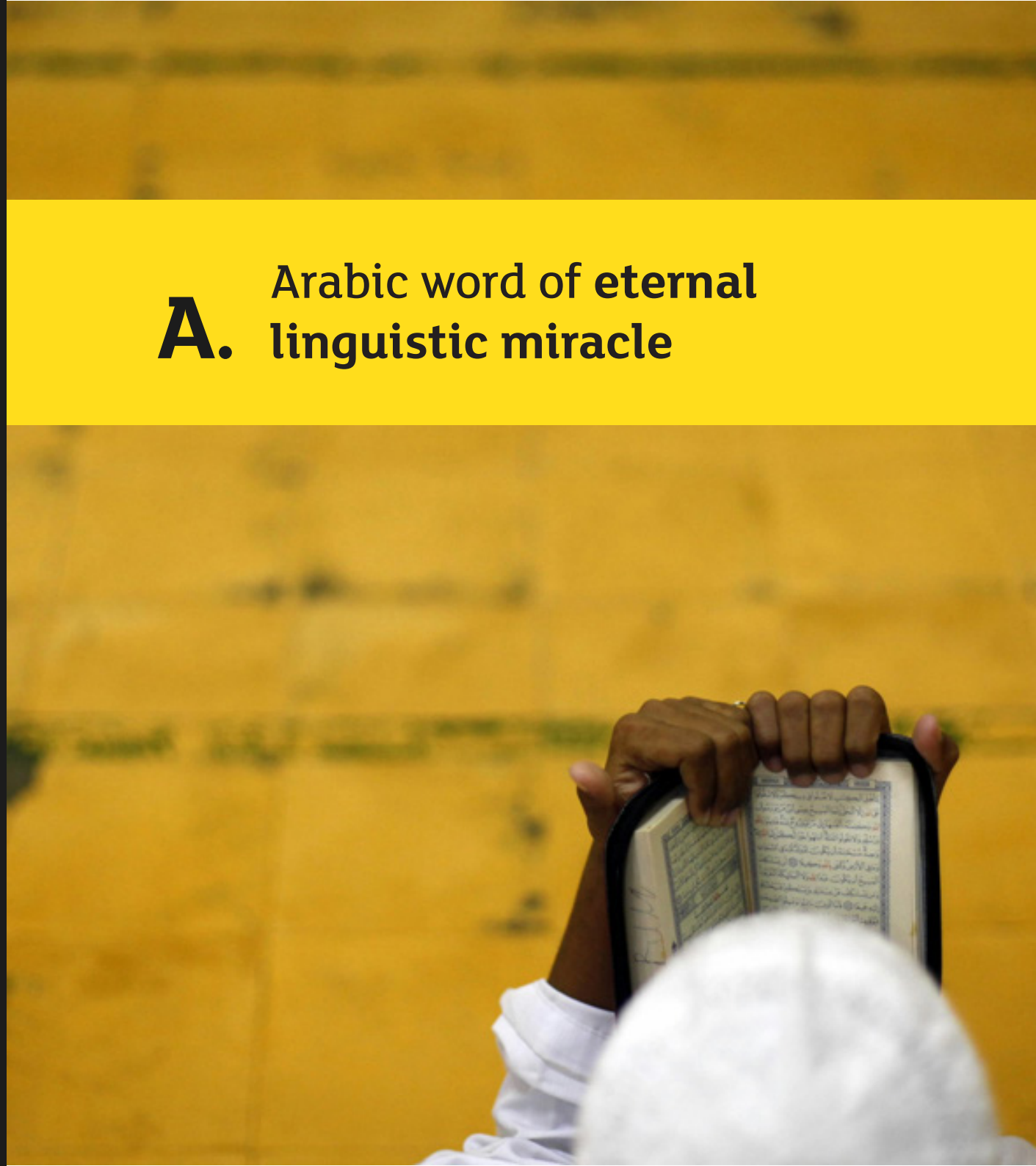


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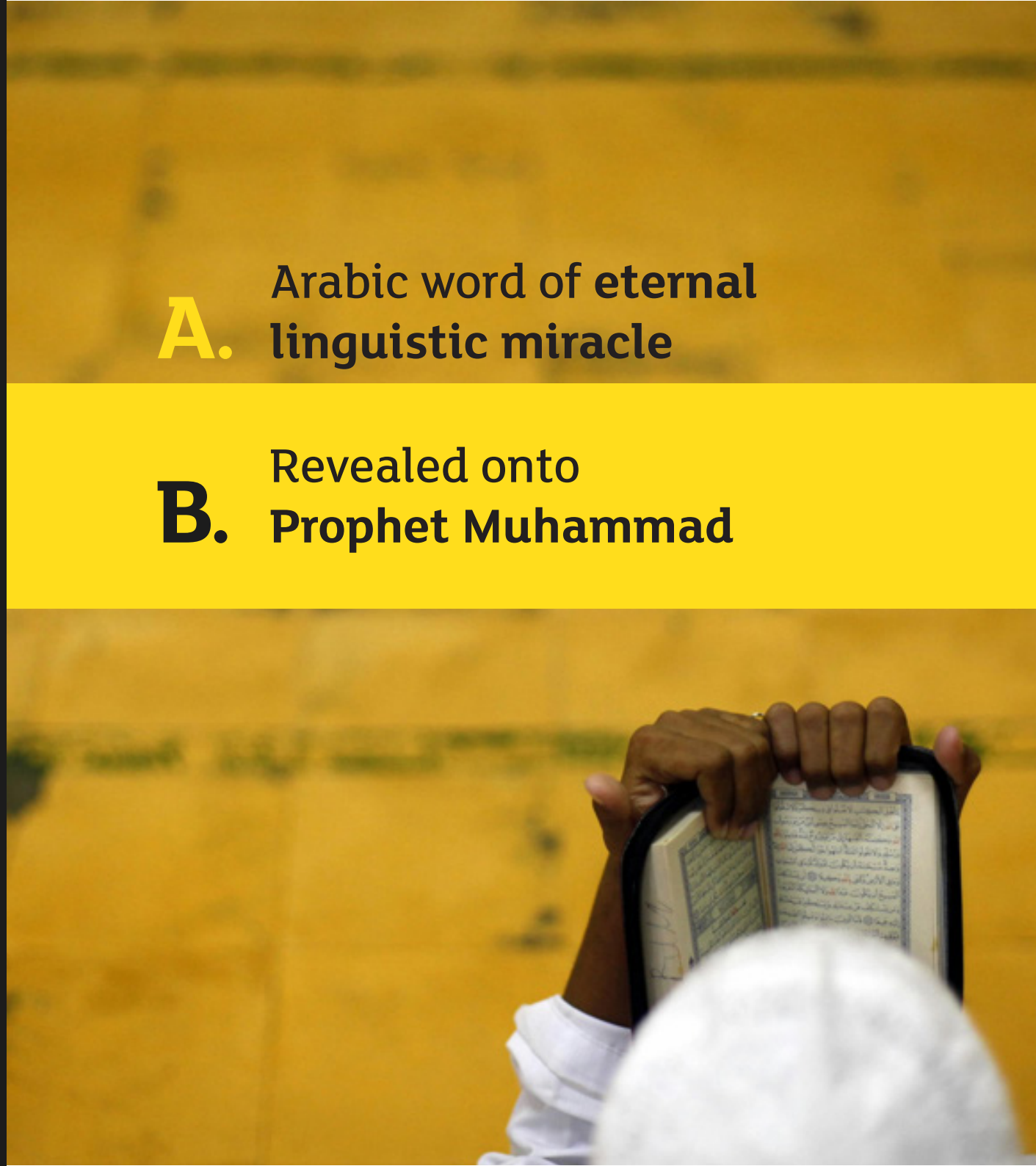
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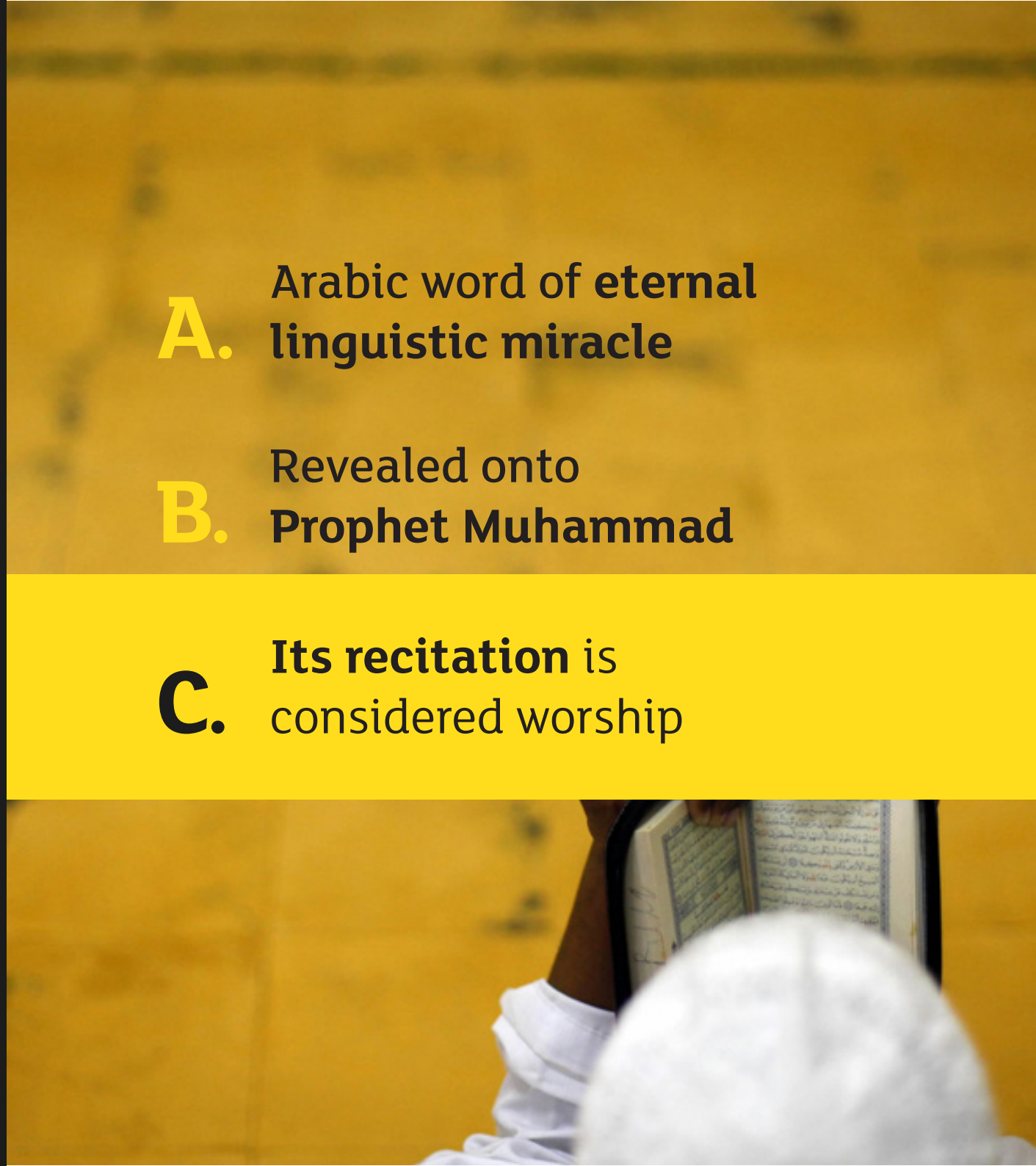
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WHAT IS THE QURAN?

A. Arabic word of **eternal linguistic miracle**

B. Revealed onto **Prophet Muhammad**

C. Its **recitation** is considered worship

D. It has reached us through **tawatur**
(multiple corroborated paths of narration).

**ALLAH SPEAKS TO YOU,
TO READ THE QURAN IS
TO HEAR HIM, EVEN TO
CONVERSE WITH HIM AND
TO WALK IN HIS WAYS**



BASIC FACTS



114 chapters



Revealed over a period of **23** years



Prophet received first revelation at age of **40**



Longest chapter is chapter **2** and
shortest chapter is chapter **8**



86 Meccan chapters and **28** Medinan chapters

QURAN ON QURAN



There is no doubt in it **(2:2)**



Guidance for the God-conscious ones **(2:2)**



Guidance for mankind **(2:185)**



Do they not ponder over it? **(4:82)**



Listen to it when it is recited **(7:204)**

QURAN ON QURAN



We have made the Quran easy for you (**54:17**)



It is a cure and a mercy (**17:82**)



Impossibility of bringing something like it (**17:88**)



Revealed in Arabic (**12:2**)



Explanation of all things (**6:154**)



03

THE QURANIC PARADIGM

QURANIC MAXIMS

- Every good and bad deed matters
- You will get what you strive for

- Every nation has a time limit
- No nation will remain in power forever

- You will be tested with fear, hunger, depletion in wealth, and loss in lives and crops.

- With hardship comes ease
- Remember me and I will remember you

- Allah answers the prayer of everyone who prays
- Allah forgives all sins

- You will not find any alteration in the sunna of Allah

CASE STUDY OF 'AL-BIRR'

لَيْسَ الْبِرُّ أَنْ تُولُوا وُجُوهَكُمْ قَبْلَ
الْمَشْرِقِ وَالْمَغْرِبِ وَلَكِنَّ الْبِرَّ مَنْ آمَنَ
بِاللَّهِ وَالْيَوْمِ الْآخِرِ وَالْمَلَائِكَةِ وَالْكِتَابِ
وَالنَّبِيِّينَ وَآتَى الْمَالَ عَلَى حُبِّهِ ذَوِي
الْقُرْبَىٰ وَالْيَتَامَىٰ وَالْمَسَاكِينَ وَابْنَ
السَّبِيلِ وَالسَّائِلِينَ وَفِي الرِّقَابِ وَأَقَامَ
الصَّلَاةَ وَآتَى الزَّكَاةَ وَالْمُوفُونَ بِعَهْدِهِمْ
إِذَا عَاهَدُوا وَالصَّابِرِينَ فِي الْبَأْسَاءِ
وَالضَّرَّاءِ وَحِينَ الْبَأْسِ أُولَٰئِكَ الَّذِينَ
صَدَقُوا وَأُولَٰئِكَ هُمُ الْمُتَّقُونَ (١٧٧)





CASE STUDY OF 'AL-ZULM'

- Allah does not love the oppressors
- Allah does not forgive the oppressors
- Nations have been destroyed because of oppression
- Do not incline towards oppressors
- Oppressors are unsuccessful

CASE STUDY OF 'AL-ZULM'

- 🕌 Allah is all aware about the oppressors
- 🕌 Oppressors will receive great punishment
- 🕌 Allah forgives those who repent & change
- 🕌 Self-introspection – we are all oppressors



04

**HOW CAN THE QURAN
TRANSFORM YOU?**

PRE-REQUISITES



Quran as the word of your creator



Read as it ought be read and engage with it as it ought be engaged



Bring each word to bear meanings in your lives



The heart is the center of engagement



The heart is not a piece of flesh in our bodies but the center of feelings and emotions, motives, aspirations, remembrance and attention

IT IS THE HEART...



WHICH
SOFTENS/
HARDENS



WHICH
TURN BLIND
AND REFUSE
TRUTH



WHICH IS THE
ABODE OF
SPIRITUAL
DISEASES



WHOSE
FUNCTION IS TO
REASON AND
COMPREHEND



WHICH
IS THE
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GUIDANCE & LIFE COACH



THE QURAN SHOULD
GUIDE YOU, INSPIRE
YOU, INFORM YOU,
MOTIVATE YOU



THE QURAN IS
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THE QURAN SHOULD
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MOMENT AND IT SHOULD
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AND BEHAVIOUR



STORY OF
A SERVANT



STORY
OF THIEF



INTERNALISATION OF VALUES



ABU TALHA DONATED
HIS FAVORITE GARDENS
AFTER READING VERSES
FROM THE QURAN

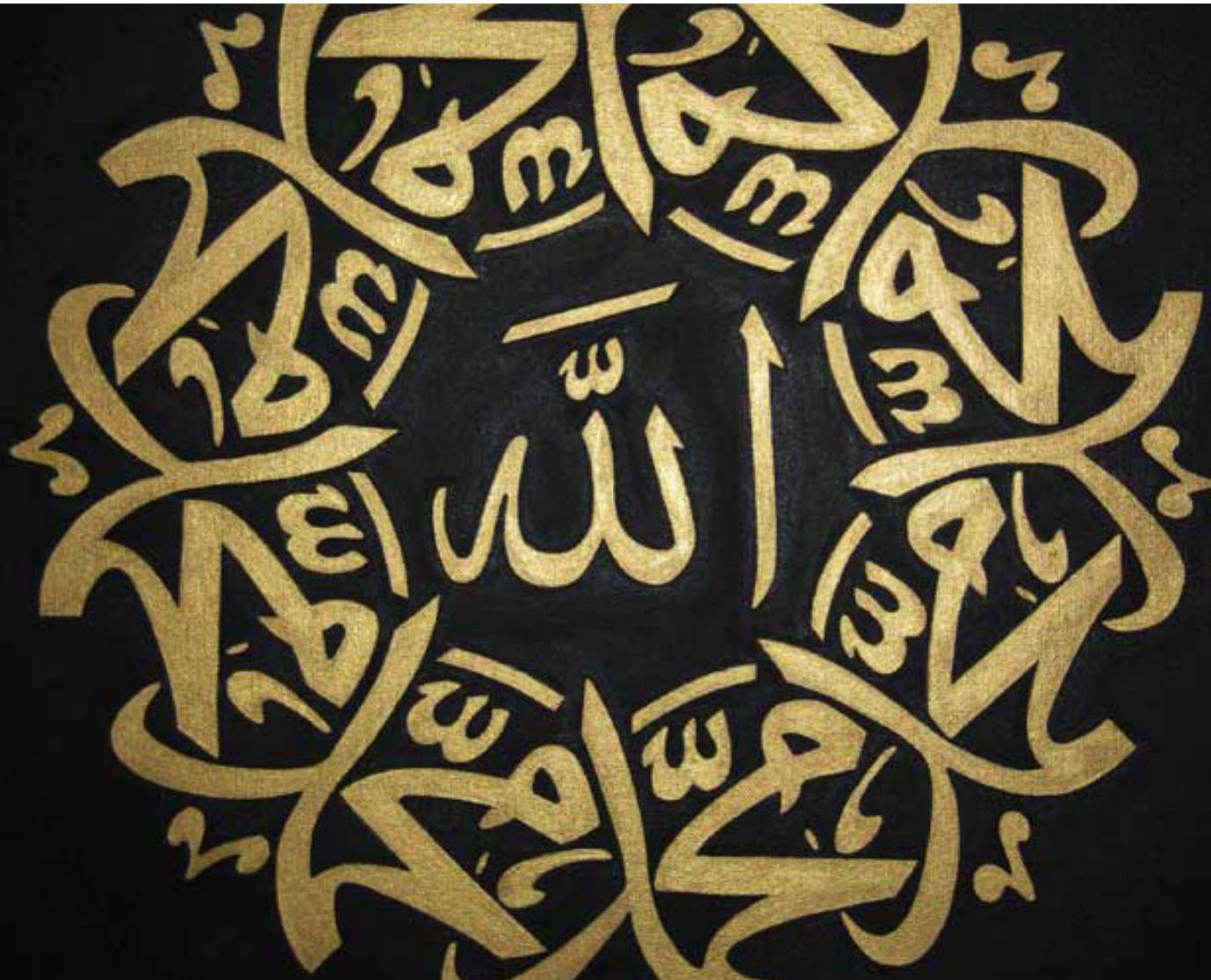


AISHA: “HIS
CHARACTER
WAS THE
QURAN”



IBN MASUD: “IF SOMEONE AMONGST US
LEARNT TEN VERSES, HE WOULD NOT MOVE TO
THE NEXT VERSES TILL HE UNDERSTOOD ITS
MEANINGS AND APPLIED ITS TEACHINGS.”

WHERE ARE YOU WITH THE QURAN?



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PROPORTIONAL IMPORTANCE

Principle

- 🕌 “Attach importance to matters according to the importance that the Quran gives”
- 🕌 Fascination with law, fiqh, halal and haram
- 🕌 Quran consists of belief, ethics, practice, spirituality, Akhira, Allah, stories of previous Prophets and nations, social change and other moral directions and divine guidelines



05

**HOW CAN THE QURAN
TRANSFORM SOCIETY?**

BOOK OF GUIDANCE

- 🕌 Guidance for 'God-conscious' people and 'mankind'
- 🕌 The Quran is a book for individuals and humanity
- 🕌 It is an 'explanation of all things'
- 🕌 Ethical and moral framework of the Quran
- 🕌 The Quranic generation





QURANIC WORLDVIEW

- 🕌 We must engage with the Quran from understanding each word to its worldview
- 🕌 The Quran has a unique perspective on life, existence, happiness, wealth, knowledge, social change, the unseen, relationships, men and women, human beings, animals, leadership and other integral facets of our life.
- 🕌 The Quran aims to create theo-centric societies not theocratic societies

QURANIC VALUES

Any society is built on values, the Quran advocates values on which society can be transformed:



TAWHID

TAQWA

TAZKIYA

AMANA

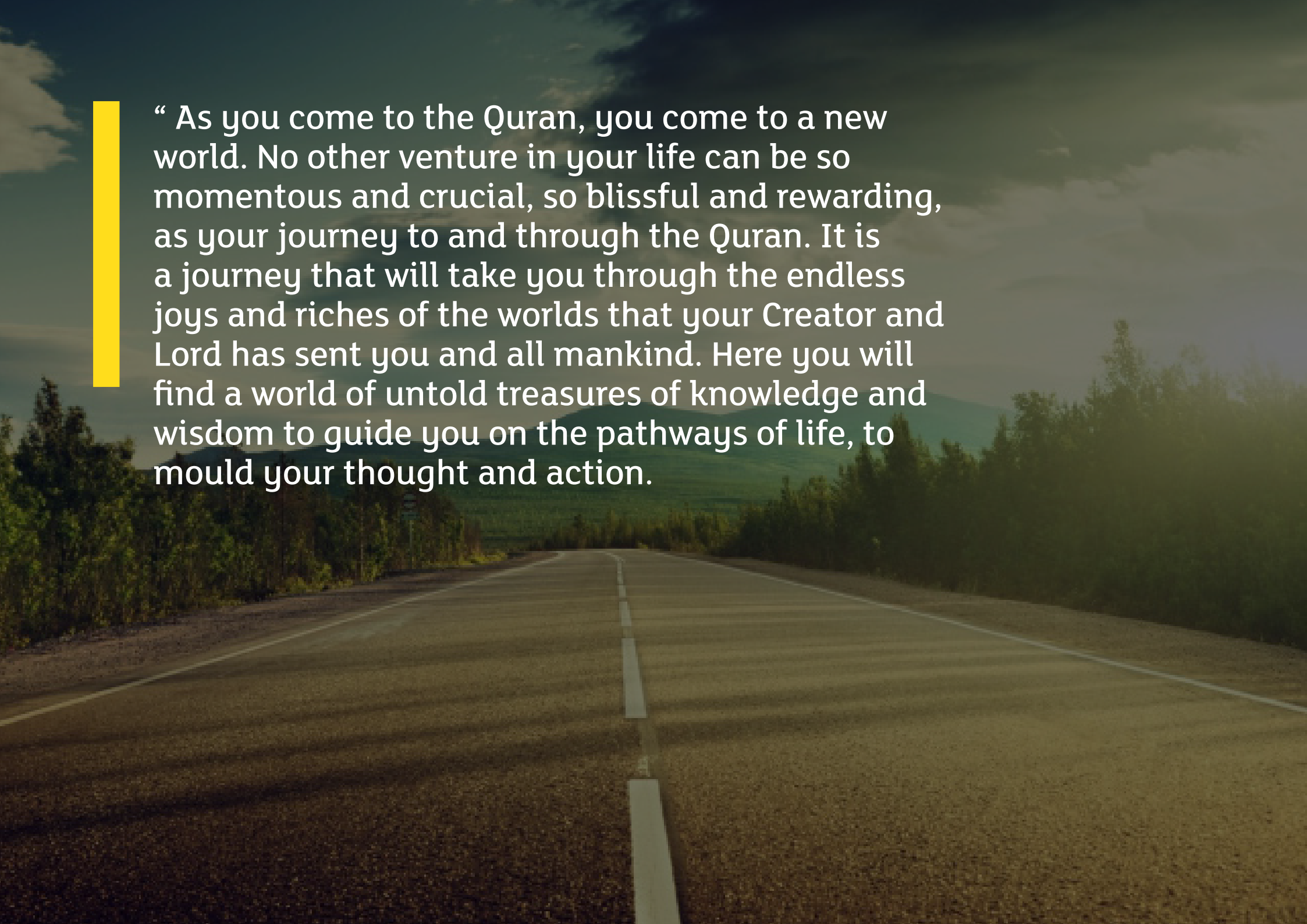
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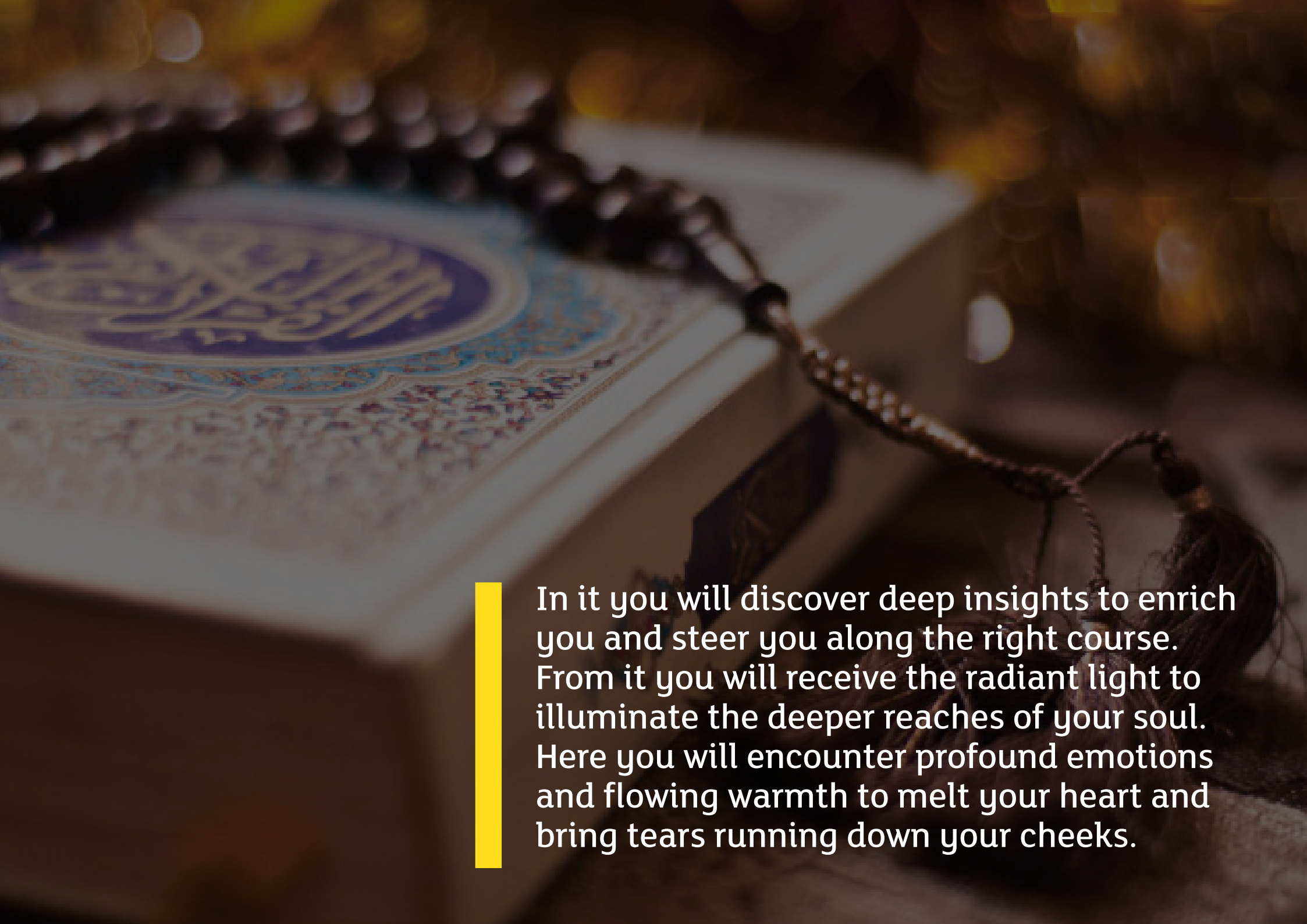


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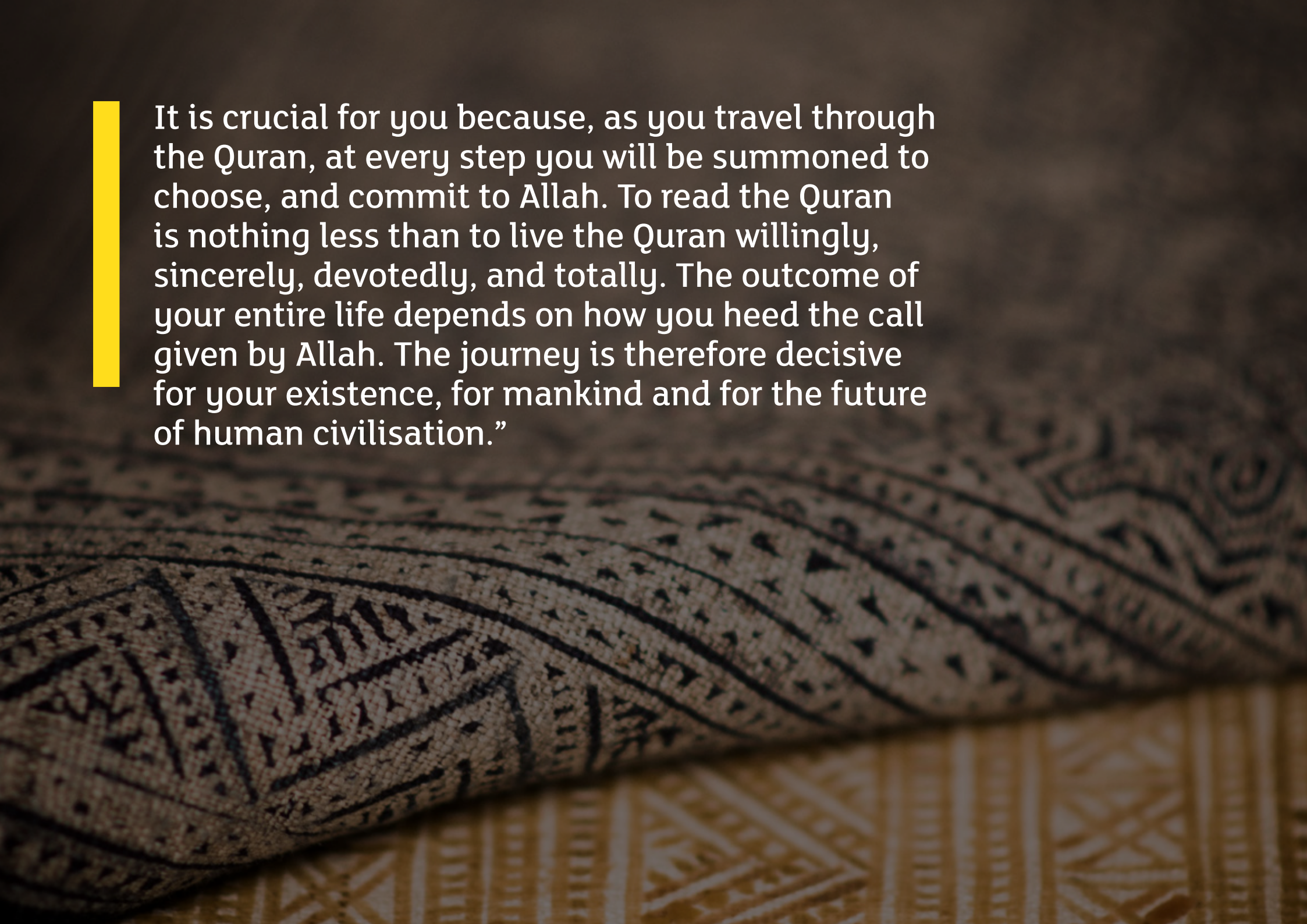
**OUR JOURNEY WITH
THE QURAN**



“ As you come to the Quran, you come to a new world. No other venture in your life can be so momentous and crucial, so blissful and rewarding, as your journey to and through the Quran. It is a journey that will take you through the endless joys and riches of the worlds that your Creator and Lord has sent you and all mankind. Here you will find a world of untold treasures of knowledge and wisdom to guide you on the pathways of life, to mould your thought and action.



In it you will discover deep insights to enrich you and steer you along the right course. From it you will receive the radiant light to illuminate the deeper reaches of your soul. Here you will encounter profound emotions and flowing warmth to melt your heart and bring tears running down your cheeks.



It is crucial for you because, as you travel through the Quran, at every step you will be summoned to choose, and commit to Allah. To read the Quran is nothing less than to live the Quran willingly, sincerely, devotedly, and totally. The outcome of your entire life depends on how you heed the call given by Allah. The journey is therefore decisive for your existence, for mankind and for the future of human civilisation.”